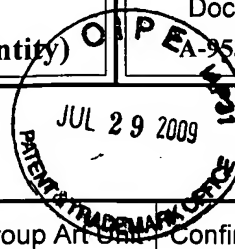


**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO
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Docket No.
A-9534.RCE

In Re Application Of: **Mauro Barbuio**



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Invention: **COUPLING ELEMENT FOR INVERTED T BEAMS**

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Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated **January 29, 2009** finally rejecting Claim(s) **12-17**

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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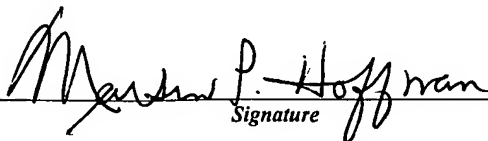
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